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WASHINGTON, D. C.



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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to  
FE 893.114 Narcotics/1769

November 24, 1936

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The Acting Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Honorable the Secretary of the Treasury, and, with reference to this Department's communication dated December 31, 1935, encloses herewith, in duplicate, for the confidential information of the Treasury Department, a copy of a despatch dated October 31, 1936, from the American Consulate General at Mukden, together with copies of its enclosures, in regard to the narcotics situation in Manchuria.

Enclosure:

From Consulate General, Mukden,  
dated October 31, 1936, with  
enclosures, in duplicate.

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AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL,

Kalgan, Manchuria, October 31, 1936.

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SUBJECT: Recent Marco Polo Observations.

The Honorable

The Secretary of State,  
Washington.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of my despatch No. 41 of October 31, 1936, to the Embassy at Peking, China, entitled "Recent Marco Polo Observations".

Very respectfully yours,

Wm. R. Langdon,  
American Consul

Enclosure:

Copy of despatch No. 41  
to Embassy, Peking.

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AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL,

Mukden, Manchuria, October 31, 1936.

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SUBJECT: Recent Narcotic Observations.

The Honorable

Nelson Trusler Johnson,

American Ambassador,

Peiping, China.

Sir:

1/- I have the honor to transmit herewith a translation  
of an announcement issued by the Opium Monopoly Bureau

It will be remarkable what the hotel will be when finished.

"Kudu" officially designated for legal protection last year. There are no violations since 1910 to 1911.

The regulations governing opinion retailers, in the light of the following examples, would seem to be no better than what is in the paper.

Mr. B. M. Thompson, Special Assistant to the

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Secretary of the United States Treasury, visited Mukden on October 27 and 28. During his stay here he asked to be shown such narcotic activities as might be visited without criticism from the local authorities. A member of my staff accompanied him on October 27 to a licensed opium retail establishment, located on one of the principal streets of Mukden adjacent to a popular story-telling hall (大鼓書館) patronized by middle and upper class natives. Access to the opium establishment was apparently free to anyone. Upon entering, attendants without any question started to lead Mr. Thompson and my subordinate officer to a smoking compartment, in much the same fashion as one would be led to a table in a restaurant. No questions were asked. Upon a statement that no opium was desired, the attendants showed some slight surprise but displayed no suspicion or uneasiness whatsoever. Opium is sold in this establishment at twenty cents a smoke on

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the premises, and twenty-five cents for the same small package when taken away. Addicts passed in and out during the visit without undergoing any questioning beyond a courteously phrased request as to what grade of opium was desired.

As having further bearing upon the narcotic situation in Mukden, and to some extent upon the press report commented upon in my political review for September, that 5,846 died of narcotic poisoning without provisions for interment in the principle cities of "Manchukuo" during 1935, there follows a brief sketch of a visit made by Mr. Thompson and me, accompanied by the British Acting Consul

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no progress in the control of Manchuria has been made since General A. S. Chase's submitted his basic report on the subject last autumn."

Very respectfully yours,

Wm. R. Langdon,  
American Consul.

Enclosures:

1/- Translation of announcement.  
2/- Translation of provisions, as stated.

• "Manchuria in Manchuria", November 14, 1935.

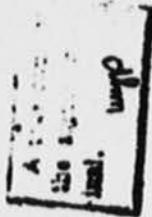
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To informant in the Department by deposit No. ---  
October 31, 1936.  
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Enclosure No. 1 to despatch No. 41 of Wm. R. Langdon,  
American Consul, Mukden, Manchuria, dated October 31,  
1936, to the Embassy, Peiping, China, entitled "Recent  
Narcotic Observations".

SOURCE: "MANCHUKUO" GOVERNMENT  
GAZETTE NO. 758,  
October 1, 1936.

TRANSLATION

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 3 OF THE  
GENERAL MONOPOLY BUREAU

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Article 12 of the Regulations for the Enforcement of the Opium Law, the poppy cultivating districts and their areas during the fourth year of Kangte (1937) are designated as below:

Chiang In-chih  
Director  
General Monopoly Bureau.

Kangte 3rd Year (1936), October 1st.

Name of Province	Districts	Areas (1937) (square)	1936*
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Jehol	Whole Province (12 Hsien)	780,000	600,000
Hsingan West	Linhai Hsien & Keshihsceng Banner	80,000	50,000
Shantung	Puchia, Tungkien, Fuyuan, Jacho & Paoching Hsien	350,000	200,000
Pinkiang	Malia Hsien	30,000	30,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,090,000</b>	<b>880,000</b>

\* Consul A. S. Chase's report, "Narcotics in  
Shantung", November 14, 1915

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Enclosure No. 2 to despatch No. 41 of Wm. R. Langdon,  
American Consul, Mukden, Manchuria, dated October 31,  
1936, to the Embassy, Peking, China, entitled "Recent  
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SOURCE: "MANCHURIO" GOVERNMENT  
GAZETTE NO. 775,  
October 20, 1936.

TRANSLATION

SUMMARY OF PENTIEN PROVINCIAL ORDER  
No. 6 - REGULATIONS GOVERNING OPIUM  
RETAILERS.

The Regulations Governing Opium Retailers were  
enacted on September 1, Third Year of Kuang (1936)  
by the Pentien Provincial Government.

Any person who wants to become an opium retailer  
shall make application with the Provincial Governor  
and see fitted the following particulars for consideration:

1. Birth place, present address, name of  
spouse and date of birth.
2. Location of opium retail business.
3. Name of opium retail house.
4. Brief sketch of vicinity of opium retail house.

5. Statement of career of applicant.
6. Statement of assets.
7. In case there are investors, their statement of careers, statements of assets and amounts of capital invested.

A person who sells within the purview of one of the following particular shall be liable to become an opium retailer:

1. A person whose designation as opium retailer has been granted.
2. A person who is suspected of being liable to order and sell customers or who is considered as likely to sell his name to other persons.
3. A person who is considered as habitual to people as unmissible for sanitary reasons.

No opium retail house shall be established at places facing principal streets or near schools or at places which are considered as harmful to social morals. The opium retail houses shall not be granted in other businesses except opium retail. In case the locations of the retail houses are considered as harmful to social

morals

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Where, public order public sanitation or because their equipment is unsuitable, the Provincial Governor may order them to move to other places and to repair or change their equipment. People suffering from tuberculosis, and other contagious diseases shall not be allowed to engage in the common retail business.

The present regulations shall come into force on the day of their promulgation.